

Partial diary of Katherine E. Hartman, wife of WC Snider long time clerk of Ernestown Twp/ farmer, printer.(see Turner's "Ernestown" p.18 for more details). Katherine wrote sporadically in this black lined note pad approx 6 inches by 4 inches for the most part in pencil between these time periods:

Jan 1- Feb 28 1902. June 1- Dec 31, 1902.

Jan 1- Jan 26, Feb 1-9, May 11-31, two days in June, 1903

Jan, Feb March 28, 1904

WC Snider I believe was born on this farm his parents being Charles Snider and mother Mary Ann (Rose) Snider b: Feb 12, 1839. He married Katherine on July 2, 1892. They had <sup>two</sup> ~~one~~ child Wilmot b: Feb 12, 1839. He would die at a young age of spinal meningitis. Around 1931 Laura Punched came to live with the Sniders at the age of 16. She was later adopted by the Sniders and she continued to live on the farm later marrying John Campbell. Mrs Snider 88 years old at the time of this transcription gave me this diary ( Nov 12, 2003) to be deposited in the Lennox and Addington County Archives. Katherine's penmanship and spelling were overall very good. I have tried to copy her words as exactly and she wrote them. Spaces have been put between entries for easier reading. On occasion I make personal comments when I believe they enhance the readers knowledge of the area or people.

Jan 1 ,1902- Wed. Fine day, very cold. We all went to Mrs B. Roses funeral at Wilton. Mr Day preached. Walt(her husband who usually is called W.C.) To Odessa at night. The Post Office was taken from P. Mabee & given to J. Timmerman.

Jan 2, Thursday

Walt & I up earley and went to Kingston. Very rough day.

Friday, Jan 3

Walt & I went (also Wilmot-their son) down to Freds. Libbie was alone. Fred at Linsey. Wilmot & I stayed. Fine & cold. Mrs Forward, Mrs Collins & Clara was there. Walt wrote to Fred.

Jan 4 th, Sat- Libbie Wilmot & I went up to Mrs Collins for dinner then up to Chui for tea. Fine cold

Sunday 5- Sunday

Windy. Lib & I went down to Uncle John Clements for dinner & down to C. Collins for tea.

Mon 6 Jan- Fine day. Election today( local municipal election held once a year at this time much later terms went to two years then in the 1980's three year terms)

\* had 3 brothers ~~Wm~~ Liles became a m.d in BC, LORENZO, photographer in Hamilton, Fred (a cabinet maker) YARKER Died in March 1950 his wife Katherine d. March 1954

Ford died in sleigh accident as an infant

John Baker, J. Alsworth, Tom Clide( Odessa- see photo in "Ernestown") L. L. Gallagher( local merchant- cheese factory owner in Wilton) for C. men James Dawson for Reeve( these were the successful candidates) I wrote to Aunt Jane & Aunt Addie today

Tuesday 7 Jan- Libbie, Wilmot and I came home today. Walt not well. Mrs J. Snider & Mrs Dave Rose here for dinner. Uncle Will brought the bobsleighs home which he had to get

Jan 8 Wednesday- Snowing today. Lovely sleighing Walt & I went to Odessa. When I came home cut shirt for Fred Snider. I getting to bake.

Jan 9 Thursday- Fine- Walt took old hog down to Fred Laidley got 5 cents lb for her. Wilmot to school. Niclas Aslstine teacher. ( a long time teacher in the area- several pictures of him pp. 150-153 in "Ernestown")

Jan 10 Friday- Walt fixing horse stable, Mrs Snider( his mother I believe) & Libbie down to Charley Roses for dinner than to Odessa. Lib got letter from Fred. I did big days work baked pie and did a good deal of cleaning. We all went up to Wilton to hear G. S. White.

Jan 11 Saturday- Frank Collins` wife children & his mother here all day Benjamin & Alvina here for tea snowed a little

Sunday 12 Jan- Very rough day WC & I went to Selby went to Church at night

Monday 13 Jan- We all went out to see Uncle William Bresee who is dying with cansor. We stayed for dinner than came home by Napanee. Fred Hill quite sick when we got home.

Tuesday 14 Jan- Fine this morning Mr Macraven here just called Mrs Snider & Libbie down to Mrs Dave Roses for dinner. I churned did not do much. Walt worked at stables. Adney Ball was here for rolers to move building. Fred went up to Fralicks.

Wed 15 Jan- I went up to Aunt Lydia stayed all day then went up to Wilton to hear Mr White. Walt to Odessa in afternoon.

Thursday 16 Jan- I did big washing Mrs Snider mending Walt`s fur coat. Libbie & I to Odessa in afternoon. Walt working in black smith shop. We all up to J. P. Roses for tea very cold.

Friday 17 Jan- Cold morning Walt down to Stasion for Fred Snider who came from Linsey. Lib & Fred went home after dinner. Walt & I to Odessa at night Uncle Will down after me Aunt Lydia sick. We went up a couple of hours.

Saturday Jan 18- I got up early went up to Aunt Lydias stayed till dark. Walt and Fred Hill went to Odessa, quite warm and windy

Sunday 19 Jan- Beautiful day. Mrs Snider & Wilmot went to Wilton, stayed to Rev Days for dinner. Walt & I home all day. Mr White at Wilton.

Mon 20 Jan- missed this day- fine day

Tuesday 21 Jan- Nice day Wilmot at school. I worked at house work all day. Mrs Snider finished Walt's fur coat at night. We all went up to Uncle Wills for tea Walt & Uncle Will at Odessa. Very stormy I got letter from Nellie Wheeler. Walt got letter from Franck wanting him to travel for them a while.

Wed 22 Jan- Worst storm we have had I worked on coat for Wilmot Walt in shop Wilmot home from school.

Thursday 23 Jan- Fine day. Walt worked in shop. We went to Wilton at night. Mrs Snider to Odessa in afternoon. Wilmot to school- very bad roads

Fri 24 Jan- I worked in kitchen all day. Walt & Mrs Snider at Millhaven. Fred Hill home from Fralics.

Sat 25 Jan-Fine day. Walt worked in shop. Mrs Snider sewed I did house worked churned, guess it is last time. Walt to Odessa.

Sunday 26 Jan-Stormy. Walt & I to church in morning it cleared in afternoon. We, Hills and all to church at night. Mr & Mrs Hill converted.

Monday 27- Very cold dreddful wind but WC & I went to Wilton it was such a wind

Tuesday 28 Jan- Fine but cold we all Hills and all went to Wilton Grand Meeting

Wed 29 Jan- Fine & cold Fred Snider ( probably is WC's brother) out to dinner. Libbie( Fred's wife) sister Clara very sick. We were all to church again Hills all

Thursday 30 Jan-Fine & cold Walt worked in shop. Mrs Snider called on Mrs Clark & J Roses. Anson Roses wife sick Lovely day.

Friday 31 Jan-Nice day. Walt worked in shop I to Odessa got letter from Fence Company wanting WC on road. Charley Rose & wife here for tea

Feb 1 Sat-Fine. Walt in shop. I worked all day, churned. Finished my black dress we

all have colds. Walt to Odessa.

Feb 2th Sunday- Quarterly Meeting at Wilton. Walt and I up. it was stormy.

Feb 3 Monday- Stormy roads all blocked dreadful weather

Feb 4 Tuesday- Fine men shoveled Walt in shop.

Wed Feb 5 Fine. I ironed we all up to Wilton at night.

Thursday 6 Feb- Fine day. Mrs Snider & Wilmot started for Freds met Fred & Libbie on road coming. Mrs J. Snider came with them. Walt in shop.

Friday 7<sup>th</sup> Feb- Fine snowed a little Libbie & Fred & Mrs J. went home after dinner

Sat 8 Feb- Stormy walk & I started for Millhaven only went as far as Odessa. Mrs Snider did cleaning. Fire in kitchen.

Sunday 9 Feb- We did not get out roads blocked. Walt drove up as far as Aunt Lydias. Fire in the kitchen( interesting why she would write this in her diary?)

Monday 10 Feb- Fine very cold. Walt went down to woods after dinner we went up to Wilton to hear Mr White lecture had tea at Mrs Days - upset coming home- fire in kitchen

11 Feb- Blustery. Walt & his Mother went to Mill Haven roads very bad( fire in kitchen)

Wed 12 Feb- Walt started for fence company. Mrs Snider 63 years old today. Fred Hill & wife went to Yarker did not get home to do chores I did and I made a night gown for me.

Thursday 13 Feb- Did not do much sewed some quite stormy( fire in kitchen)

Friday 14<sup>th</sup> Feb- Fine day, sewed no fire in Kitchen.

Sat 15 Feb- Fire in Kitchen all day. White cow got leg in barn bridge ? Wilmot not well. Fred broke road to woods.

Sunday 16 Feb- Mrs Snider, Fred Hill to church. I have sick headache Aunt Lydia & Uncle Will down in evening Fred Hill & wife here for dinner.

Monday 17 Feb- Fine day. Roads bad I to Odessa in afternoon. Walt came from Trenton-sick.

Tuesday 18 Feb- Rough. Walt went to Odessa Roads bad. Mr Day called in after noon. J. P. Rose & wife called in afternoon( fire in kitchen)

Wed 19 Feb- Uncle Will came for me Aunt Lydia very sick I stayed all day came home and we all went to Mr D. Lucas for tea Alvena & Mable here for dinner( fire in kitchen)

Thursday 20 Feb- Fine day. Roads bad We all went out to L Vick not home Mrs Snider & Wilmot over to Mr Brethens for dinner Walt & Fred H. went to Odessa after tea Mable Emerson married today.

Friday 21 Feb- Fine day, Fred Hill's brother came home with him. Dr Alearn out to see Flora's leg( the vet to see white cow?) Walt down to C. Roses in morning. Mrs Snider down to Charles Roses in afternoon( fire in kitchen)

Sat 22 Feb- Mrs Snider & Mrs C. Rose started in morning for J. Powleys. I not very well. Fine day. Walt & Wilmot to Odessa in afternoon. Walt to Odessa at night to join Foresters. Marsh Peaters here to see Walt.

Sunday 23 Feb- Walt & I also Wilmot at Millhaven. Fine day. very bad roads. Mrs Snider & Emma got home from J. Powleys they all sick. I stoped on way from Freds to see Aunt Lydia

Monday 24<sup>th</sup>- I took Walt to Napanee to take 10:30 train it rained( I made a mistake in saying Mrs Snider came home yesterday for it was today) no fire in kitchen. I took Emma Rose home after noon.

Tues 25<sup>th</sup>- I went up to Aunt Lydias all day she very poorly Mrs Snider did her washing. Wilmot to school. Fine day. Fire in kitchen.

Wed 26<sup>th</sup> Fine. Mrs Snider & I to Odessa in after noon. Mrs Snider got letter from Dr and one from Mrs Ca and photo.

Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> Feb- Fine day. I baked cake ( no fire in kitchen) Fred Hill to Odessa at night we sewed some.

Friday 28 Raining & windy I over to Mrs Hills after dinner, fire in kitchen Wilmot home from school Roads rough.

June 1, 1902- Sunday- Wilmot & Mrs Snider at church & Sunday school Walt up to Uncle Wills- he no better I& Walt up at night



Monday June 2- Went up to Uncle Wills. Stayed all night. Dr G there from city. helped Walt set out a lot of plants. churned

Tues 3<sup>rd</sup> June- Took uncle to hospital I not feeling well We went up to see Aunt Lydia She standing it remarkably well. It rained a fine shower. WC at Odessa

Wed 4 June- Fine most of the day. Walt worked in garden I washed & churned Mrs Snider has sore eyes WC to Odessa at night.

Thursday 5 June- Potter here from Moscow. We put down dining room carpet I painted oilcloth helped WC plant corn He finished his potatoes yesterday We had 15 chickens.

Friday 6 June 1902- I swept upstairs We heard today Uncle Will was no better he is coming home tomorrow Mrs Snider up to Alvinas Sniders for tea. WC & I up to Aunt Lydias after tea. Fine but looks like rain.

Sat June ~~12~~<sup>7</sup>-Rainy in morning but cleared- I did yesterdays work went up to Uncle Wills they got him home at 6 o'clock in the evening very tired and weak they think there is a cancer in his stomach but do not know. I stayed all night sat up with him poor man it is something dreadful how he suffers

Sunday June 8<sup>th</sup>-Fine day. I up at Uncle Wills. He put in a hard night. Alice Ballance came down they was a good many in. I slept a couple of hours in afternoon.

Monday 9<sup>th</sup>- Alice & I sat up with him peaceful night he put in he seems better today. I came down home but they came after me in less than half an hour. I slept at night, D. J. Smith, Joa Milligan, & Darius sat up. I got up once, rainy

Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup>- Rainy, Uncle no better I came home 10 o'clock with sick headache. Mrs Snider went down to Libs, windy Walt to Odessa

Wed 11<sup>th</sup>- Potter here from Mosco, I up to Uncle Wills all day came home with Dr Mabee( long time resident doctor from Odessa) Uncle great deal better hopes of him now.

Thursday 12<sup>th</sup>- Mrs Snider to Napanee I up to corner in afternoon, Rose went home tonight

Friday 13<sup>th</sup>- I sat up with Uncle alone last night better came home and helped milk this morning

Sat 14 June- Fine, I not feeling well. Made night shirt for Uncle Will. Varnished

furniture in our room went up to Uncle Wills in after noon. Went to Odessa at night.

Sunday 15 June- Not well. Mrs Snider & Wilmot to church. Lon and Vick here for tea did not hear from Uncle today.

Monday 16 June- Up to Uncle in after noon came home helped milk went back stayed all night WC worked in root patch Uncle was restless

Tuesday 17 June- Fine. Came home at half past 8 in the morning. Mrs Snider went to convension at Odessa and then down to Libbies. DJ came for me in afternoon Uncle not much better Walt in roots.

Wed 18<sup>th</sup> Fair started to wash they came for me from the corner I went up till 12, Uncle Will not so well, Rose came down. Mrs Jonston down for some rubarb. Walt washed sheep today. Mrs Snider came home tonight brought a box of strawberries WC is at Odessa, fine day.

Thursday 19 June

Friday 20 June- Wilmot sick did not go to school did not have his cloths on all day Walt & I up to Uncle Wills he very bad today sent for me thought he was dying Mrs Snider started for Doctor Sniders on 2:30 train. ( one of her sons )

Sat 21 June- I did my work in morning Mr & Mrs Powley came after dinner I called up to Uncle Wills he no better, very cold weather. Willie Ballance stayed here all night WC went to Odessa.

Sunday 22 June- Powleys here all day. Willie stayed for breakfast . Minerva Breeze here for a call , rough cold day. Lib & Fred here for tea.

Monday 23 June- Mr & Mrs Powley went out to Libs. I went up to Uncle Wills stayed all day. WC went to Mill in afternoon and up to Uncle Wills at night he no better. WC's birthday.

Tuesday June 24- I washed, fine day. Skimmed milk cleaned floors and stove pipes. Mr & Mrs Powley called on way home this morning I up to Uncle Wills in afternoon he no better. DJ Smith there. WC to Odessa We have not heard from Mrs Snider. Wilmot not well.

Wed 25 June- Fine heard from Mrs Snider last night auntie better, a 6 ½ lb baby. I took Wilmot down to Dr. he gave him something said he was rundown. I up to Uncle Wills when I came back. They expect women to nurse him. I went home churned & helped weed roots

Thursday 26 June- Last night Wilmot took with pain in right side very sharp sent for Dr said it was pleresy. He is very sick. We went to see Dr today Wilmot seemed better.

Friday 27-Wilmot seemed better. Walt sheering sheep he went to Odessa at night but did not find Doctor. Wilmot coughed a great deal all night.

Saturday 28- Wilmot much worse sent for doctor Put onion and fresh lard on him seemed a little easier Dr came and said it was pneumonia He raised blood and his nose bled, seems better tonight Emma Rose came down and helped can 30 boxes of strawberries. Mrs J. Snider went home tonight I sat up till 3 in the morning then WC got up. Mrs J. Jonston called.

29 June- Wilmot seems about the same. Aunt Lydia here a few minutes Mrs Clark also. Wilmot coughed very hard all night.

Monday 30 June- Rainy Dr here Wilmot no better, temp 100 pulse bad, wet day for here.

Tues July 1- Fine day. Wilmot seems better. Mrs Jonston called. Walt working at barn. Walt got letter from Sid Powley.

Wed July 2- WC & I married 10 years ago today It is a fine day. Dr Mabee here stayed for dinner. Wilmot better. Ernest Clark helping Walt weed roots. F. Hill & wife away. I set out some celery.

Thursday 3 July- Wilmot better. WC working in barn. F. Hill not well. Rainey, I washed. WC had to hunt up Daisey. Mr Clark down gave him some celery plants.

Friday 4 July- Dr here this morning Wilmot better going to give him some solid food for dinner first in over a week. WC cutting hay in front of house the first. Dr said Warren Gurnsey died last night. Uncle Will better stormy at night WC at Odessa. P. A. Mabee not expected to live has penemonia got letter from Mrs Snider

Saturday 5 July- Warm. Some thunder showers I very busy. Wilmot improving WC to Odessa at night. Thunder and lightning at night.

Sunday 6, July- Fine hot. Libbie & Mrs Frank Collins out for dinner. Clara Collins very sick, Salome Rose here for dinner looks as if there would be storm before morning. WC out to Wilsons tonight.

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Tuesday 8 July- WC was down to see Dr- Mabel stayed all night

Wed 9 July- Wilmot better- he stayed on lounge in kitchen- do not give him much to eat . Mrs Clark down Alvena over. Walt to Odessa.

Thursday 10<sup>th</sup>- Fine. Walt in field in front of house and put in some buckwheat Wilmot better Vick& Hilda called in afternoon.

Friday 11 July- Fine Walt cut hay Fred Hill worked in corn. WC payed F Hill today here for meals. Mrs Hill and I milked while men put up hay. Men to Odessa, ducks hatched.

Sat 12<sup>th</sup> July- ducks hatched- Fine worked in hay brought it in in after noon I worked all day.

Sunday 13 July- Fine but windy Walt to Millhaven I at home all day Wilmot getting smart, Mrs Jonston down for call

Monday 14- Hot, Walt worked on Fred Snider`s cultivator Fred started for Manitoba( I believe many local men went out west at this time to make some \$ while others stayed home and worked their land) Fearful thunder storm at 5 oclock but WC went to stasion to see Fred and to take a parsel to him for 7 o`clock train Arthur Fraser`s barn struck by lightning.

Tuesday 15 July- Walt & Fred Hill went to Ernestown with hogs to ship at 6 ½ cents live weight I washed buggy and wagon thundering today yet WC & Fred Hill to Odessa at night

Wed 16 July 1902- Fine. I washed near all day. Cleaned wood house. Walt & Wilmot down to Cap Babcocks Mill for pig feed got some for ducks Fred Hill cut some hay.

Thursday 17 July- Looks like rain Men drew hay in forenoon worked in roots in afternoon - Mr & Mrs Day called

Friday 18<sup>th</sup> 1902 Did morning work picked Black Currents. Mrs Clark down in evening sold her 56 cts worth. Men worked in hay over hill till dark and after

Sat 19 July 1902- Did Saturday work-rained in afternoon Men worked in hay over hill

until noon . I cut out black shirt for Walt. WC up to Odessa I up to Uncle Wills for call.

Sunday 20- rainy did not go any where F Hill & wife out to her fathers

Monday 21- Rainy- Walt and I to Napanee Wilmot up to Phil Lauders after we came home F. Hill and wife to Odessa, he sick all day.

Tuesday 22 July- I washed in morning- fine- Libbe& Miss Wilderhere all day. Walt & Fred worked in hay over hill

Wed 23 July- Fine till evening till night then it rained Men worked over hill in hay and we women milked I picked black currents

Thursday 24 July- I did usual work & ironed picked some rasberries Went to Odessa in after noon got letter from Mrs Snider called on Mary Snider that used to be called on Mrs C Jones -she has young son F. Hill to Napanee for shingles Walt cut hay in front of house - put shoes on poney and goldie

Friday 25- Fine cut hay next to Lewises Mabel Snider & Wilmot went to Odessa to take a letter for me to office. Fred Hill & WC cut hay in front of house. I pulled weeds in behind barn- Fine

Sat July 26- Fine looks like rain- men drew hay from rear- & Wilmot up to Mrs Clarks & then down to Emma Roses for tea He came home with Charley on milk wagon and went to Factory. F. Hill & wife away WC to Odessa( I believe the Hill's were hired men/ women working for WC, his off home jobs took him away from home a lot and work still had to be down at his farm)

Sunday 27 July- We were home all day till night then we went out to L after tea, fine.

Monday 28<sup>th</sup>- Fine Cows got in garden and did a lot of damage F. Hill cut clover over the hill Walt worked in shop a while then went to help Fred over the hill -worked all day there until night then went to Odessa . Mrs J. Snider came home with him I over to JH Sniders for rasberries

Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup>- Fine got up at 4 o clock put away 30 boxes of berries Washed made bread tired.Mrs S put a blister on her knee WC worked on hay in front of drive house, hot day

Wed 30- some doings going on at Bath today, hot day I put away 4 cans of red berries from our bushes, Mrs Snider's knee better. Wilmot got stung six times today WC & Fred Hill worked at WC's hay

Thursday 31- Fine hot day. Mrs J Snider & I sewed all day Mrs Hill baked bread here. WC to Odessa at night

Friday August 1- Fine day. Men worked from drive house at least WC did F. Hill worked at hay over hill I swept upstairs picked berries took Mrs J. Snider to Odessa at night went to see Mrs Caulder about doing some sewing

Aug Sat- 2- Fair- men in hay-Fred helped WC in afternoon - WC to Odessa at night I up to Aunt Lydias in after noon.

Aug Dec 3- Up to Wilton to church-did not have SS today-A heavy storm after we came home

Aug Mon 4<sup>th</sup>- The men drew hay from behind mill. I washed cleaned woodhouse. Mabel brought our mail from office got a letter from father. WC & Wilmot went to Station for Mrs Snider. Mrs Snider came home very tired and sick.

Tuesday 5 Aug- I did not do much today picked berries did them up Went to Odessa. Mrs Snider & I took dress to Mrs Caulder to have made rained just a little. Men working over hill bring in alsack clover.

Wed 6 Aug- Fine- I did usual work Mrs Snider sick. Men worked over hill Fred Hill sick WC cut barley over hill.

Thursday 7 Aug- Picked the last of black currants- Cut waist for my self. WC & Fred worked up over hill putting up barley and brought some down, brought in seed hay. WC to Odessa at night I sent some cucumber to Odessa had them for about two weeks lots of ripe apples this year Fine day.

Friday 8 Aug 1902- Mrs Snider & I to Odessa I to try on dress got 15 lbs of honey. Looked like rain at night Men thrashed clover WC and I went out to Lons and got threshing mill

Sat 9<sup>th</sup> Aug- Worked till noon then WC Wilmot & I went to Kingston went to doctor had Wilmot's throat examined came home tired out- it is Coronation Day

Sunday 10 Aug- Looked like rain we did not go to church turned out fine

Monday 11 Aug- WC took Fanning Mill home then went to Ernestation for Mrs Cairns but she did not come so we went at night and got her and two children

Tuesday 12 Aug- Did not do much today Mrs Cairn very tired She is a very fine

woman I like her well as far as I know her. Fine day. Men worked on hill drawing barley.

Wed 18 Aug- Fine. I washed Mrs Cairn & Mrs Snider went over to Odessa Mrs Cairn to Mrs J Snider s& Mrs Snider after dinner took Mrs Hicks & went over to B. Roses. Fred & Lib came out at night.

Thursday 14- Fine. Fred Snider not very well. Fred went over to Odessa and got Mrs Cairn. Mrs Snider came home shortly after. Fred & Lib came & went home after tea took Mable Snider with them.

Friday 15- Aug- We all but WC went down ( men working) to Fred Sniders for the day. Mr & Mrs      Was there from Kansas. Fine day but cool.

Sat 16 Aug- Fine a little shower in afternoon Men bringing in hay off flats Mrs Cairn and I went to factory after money then to Odessa, got my dress that Mrs Caulder sewed.

Sunday 17 Aug- Rained a fine shower Mrs Snider & Mrs Cairn to Wilton to church Mr Mc Coll preached from Odessa. WC & I did not go anywhere Mr & Mrs Hill out to Seventh ( at this time these people were their hired hands who probably lived in the tenant house) WC & I milked all cows.

Monday 18 Aug- Rainy. Mrs Snider took Mrs Cairn & children to Alonzos, WC & Wilmot went down and bought stove from Mr Amy. WC & Mr J. H. Snider went out collecting for church. Mabel & Lib came for tea Libbie stayed all night Fred Snider went to Linsay today.

Tues 19<sup>th</sup>- Mrs Hill & Mr Hill are sick. Mrs Cairn & I washed then went to Alsynia Sniders for dinner. I ran over to Amos Sniders for butter. WC had to go for Dr for Hills. Mrs Snider went up to Silvester Hugaboons and got his wife to come down. She got two lbs of butter at Mr Smiths Mrs Cairn & Libbie to L. Hartmans for tea. Wilmot at school.

Wed 20<sup>th</sup>- Mrs Snider & Mrs Cairn went to Nellie Snooks WC to Napanee with clover seed. Libbie & I washed buggies. I helped WC get in load of hay. Libbie went home after tea.

Thursday 21 Aug- Fearful thunder storm three o'clock this morning. Mrs Hill no better. WC bought two heifers from Uncle Will paid him thirty dollars for them (yearlings) WC & I set out strawberrie plants. Alvena Hartman called. WC to Odessa bought pail of lard.

Friday 22 Aug- Showery. Mr & Mrs Hill still sick 10 little pigs came today. Mrs Snider & Mrs Cairn came home today Mrs Snider sick. baby Not well

Sat 23 Aug- Fine but showery in afternoon Mrs Snider & Mrs Cairn to Kingston. Mr & Mrs Powley & Mr & Mrs Law & children came tonight beds all full. WC to Odessa.

Sunday 24 Aug- Fine. Mr & Mrs Powley & the Laws went up to J. P. Roses after breakfast. Mr J. Snook Mr J. Armstrong & wife and two of Mr Snook's children were here all day. Livinia & Alsynia, Alvina & Mable were here in afternoon. Lon & wife & Mrs & child were here for tea Rose & aunt Lydia called.

Monday 25 Aug- Mrs cairn washed but not well. Fine. I drove WC down to Uncle Edward Sniders for Uncle Wills binder. After dinner I took Mrs Cairn to station to go to Peterborough (WC cut oats) and from there she is going home. After I came home and had my tea WC & I went up to Mr Days.

Tuesday 26- Aug Fine. WC cut oats, I washed Mrs Snider took Mrs J. Snider home.

Wed 27 Aug- We swept upstairs I went up to Aunt Lydias in afternoon. WC cut oats on hill in forenoon. Drew hay of flats in afternoon.

Thursday 28 Aug- WC Wilmot & I went to Kingston Fair ( no good) Mrs Snider not well. Fine day.

Fri 29 Aug- Fine day. Did up fruit all day. Plums, peaches and long black berries. WC & Fred worked on barn roof.

Saturday 29 Aug- Hot & fine. Mr Hugabone helped Fred bring in oats. WC shingled. We did Sat work. Mrs Snider went to Odessa & washed her buggy.

Sunday 31 Aug- Fine- WC has head ache. Mrs Snider & Wilmot went to



Sunday School & church. Lib & Fred came out for dinner WC & I went to Odessa to Church Aunt Lydia & Rose called in afternoon.

Monday 1 September- Rainy. WC went to Odessa in forenoon. I washed our milk cans some sour. F. Hill & wife went out to her father's at night.

Tues 2, Sept- I churned, Mrs Snider prepared apples to dry. I peeled all afternoon. The men worked till dark over hill.

Wed 3th Sept- I washed and cleaned wood house Went up to Aunt Lydias in afternoon. Stanley Rose took sick, appendicitis. Walt cut grain.

Thursday 4 Sept- Windy. WC & I went to Frank Breezes with wool Stopped to Alices for dinner.

Friday 5- WC & Fred drew oats of the hill Her father helped them in afternoon. Mrs Snider took Wilmot and went down to Freds. Mrs J. Snider here for dinner I made Jello.

Sat 6- WC sick helped Fred though. I had lots to do. Rained at night Mrs Snider came home WC worse Fred went for doctor.

Sunday 7 Sept- rainy in morning We did not go to church. WC better.

Monday 8- WC not well.

Tuesday 9- I sewed all day. Rained all day. I went after Wilmot at night to schoolhouse, Stanley Rose changed for the better.

Wed 10<sup>th</sup>- WC & I started for Toronto Fair on 10 o'clock train left horse at Jessie Ameys. ( fine day) Libbie & May Collins went. WC feeling some better arived at Addie Hanelys at four o'clock, tired.

Thursday 11- Went through Eatons then to grounds saw Fred Hicks & Hattie, had a nice time fine day started for home on 9 o'clock train.

Friday 12- Fine. Did not do much WC not one bit well. F. Hill & wife did milking this morning Mrs Snider took laundry to Wilton to go to Kingston stayed to

Rev Days for tea.

Sat - 13 Sept- Fine. I worked in forenoon went down to Joe Milligans after dinner. Their little boy got hurt with load of hay. Aunt Lydia went with me.

Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> WC not well. We did not go to church Wilmot & his grandmother went. Doctor is down for tea. F. Hill & wife are out to his fathers.

Monday 15<sup>th</sup>- Fine. WC & I went down to see Dr. Walt feeling little better Samson Perry working for us he and Fred working at hay on flats There is a wonderful crop this year. Mrs Snider not very well.

Tuesday 16- Fine. First day of Napanee Fair. I took WC up to Napanee to take boat for Picton. Came home by way of Lons. Fred & Samson worked at hay.

Wed 17- Fine. Hill & wife went to Fair. Samson worked in hay till noon went to C. Roses to thrash. I milked 8 cows.

Thursday 18- Fine. Mrs Snider went to Odessa for mail, I washed Darius wife called. Mrs ertwal & Libbie came had nice time. Mrs Snider to Odessa again after tea. F. Hill and Samson in hay on flats. I milked 7 cows got two letters from WC.

Friday 19<sup>th</sup> Sept- Fine men at hay Got all that is cut in. I all tired out, cleaned the pewter, cleaned wood house, cleaned cistern. Mrs Snider Wilmot and I pumped about thirty barrels of water out than I cleaned it. I only milked 1 cow and 5 in morning.

Sat 20 Sept- Fine. F. Hill took load of hay to Dr Mabee. Samson Perry cut hay in flats, finished cutting at noon. F. Hill cut our buckwheat in front of house in afternoon. Mrs Snider went to Odessa after dinner( she and Wilmot took dinner at J. P. Roses) and WC came in for mail from Earnestown and she brought him (WC) home. Aunt Lydia & Lillie here for tea. Mrs Snider up to Wilton for WC & laundry after tea. WC not feeling any to good.

Sunday 21- WC not feeling well. After dinner I took him to Kingston. We had tea at Winsor then went out to Mr Powleys.

Monday 22 Sept- Fine & warm. WC & I drove into Kingston went to see Dr Garrot. Walt feeling bad got something from Dr and then he took train for Ottawa. We saw Mrs Marsh Henderson, I drove home alone, hot and dusty. I milked six

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cows. The men got rest of hay of flats. Samson cut clover. In afternoon F. Hill went to woods for poles Wilmot not well.

Tuesday 23- Fine. I to Odessa sent Dr out to see Wilmot lungs troubling him again. Lille & Aunt Lydia down. We went over for Aunt Lydia. F. Hill cut his corn over hill. Samson put up hay I helped milk then churned. I not feeling very well.

Wed 24- Fine. I went over to see H. Peaters about shingling barn. Windy today. I to Odessa in afternoon to get Goldy's shoes on. Got barrel of sugar paid 4 cents lb then baked. F. Hill dug his potatoes, Samson put up hay till noon. Darius bound corn after dinner and Samson put up. I did not do milking, got letter from WC.

Thurs 25<sup>th</sup>- Fine. Fred got out potatoes in forenoon Samson put up corn in afternoon. F. Hill helped Samson bring in clover. Mrs Snider to Odessa brought Uncle Hiram & Jennie Henderson home with her. Mr J. Jonson here for call. I helped milk.

Fri 26- We did usual work, rainy. Men worked at barn all day. F. Hill went over to J. McGaughy and got eight barrels of barley for our pigs took it down got it ground.

Sat 27 Sept- Jennie & I did work in forenoon. Mrs Snider into Odessa got letter from WC to come to Millhaven in afternoon for him. Uncle, Jennie Wilmot and I went down to Libbie's for tea WC came home with us.

Sunday 28 Sept- Rainy in morning. WC & I went to Kingston to see Dr Garret WC not well. F. Hills away.

Monday- Mrs Snider to Odessa. Jennie & I washed. Jennie & Mrs Snider to Wilton Alvinia & Mrs Hicks here for tea. Walt down to E. Jones.

Tuesday 30- Fine. Mrs J. Snider here I worked all forenoon. WC & I went to Aunt Lydias for pares. Rainy at night WC took Mrs J home.

Wed 1<sup>th</sup> Oct- Rainy. WC home till noon he and his mother to Napanee got 100 lbs of flour, Samson away, Darius here for huskers.

Thursday 2, Oct- Fine. Mrs Snider washed her buggy. I baked bread & cake, made catsup. Mrs S & Jennie to Odessa. WC to Millhaven.

Friday 3 Oct- Fine.( Fair day at Odessa) WC went to Odessa this morning charged a barrel of sugar. In after noon we all went to Odessa F. Hills went. We was at Mrs J. Sniders for tea. Stanley Rose took relapse and is very low.

Sat 4 Oct- WC to Millhaven, We did usual work. Mr Snider and Hendersons out to Lons for tea.

Sunday 5 Oct- Rainy. WC & I started for church but did not go. Mrs Snider went in afternoon. Rev Willie Brown preached. F. Hill and wife away.

Monday, 6 Oct- Rainy. WC took Jennie & Uncle to take stage for Kingston, came home we went to Napanee got black stove coal is so high \$ 8 ton and in some places \$ 25 on account of strike in coal mines. F. Hill went to see Burgess about thrashing

Tues 7- Rainy in forenoon fine an afternoon . WC went to Millhaven. I cut green tomatoes for pickles. Mrs Snider making over long coat. Stanley Rose some better.

Wed 8- Fine. I made green pickles and celery sauce. Mrs Snider washed. Men moved big box stove in dining room. Mr & Mrs Day here for tea. Rained at night.

Thursday 9- Fine. Mrs Snider started for Nellies. Samson went home at night F. Hill to Odessa Wilmot & I stayed alone all night. I ironed.

Friday 10- Fine. Mrs Snider came home Minnie came with her I up to Aunt Lydias.

Sat Oct 11- M and I to Odessa very early, got our new waist, came home maid it, WC came home at night.

Sun 12 Oct- Cold & raw. All went to Church in morning. Minnie & WC up to Aunt Lydias WC to Odessa sent word for Charley to bring up a bottle from Dr Garrets. Stanley not so well. We went to Odessa to church.

Monday 13- Dark, rainy. We started Mrs Sniders dress. WC home.

Tues 14<sup>th</sup>- Still working on dress fine day. Went up to Aunt Lydias after tea.

Wed 15- Mrs Snider took Minnie to train went down to see Libbie. WC came home at noon.

Thursday 16- Thrashed. G. Hartman did it I up to Aunt Lydias for tea.

Friday 17- Fine, cold. Mrs Snider went to Cataraqui for the Dr, wife and daughter. They went out & stayed all night at Mr Powleys I worked all day. Charlot here she went to James Roses in afternoon. F. Hill went to Mill and took some apples over to Mr Wards to get ground. Samson dug potatoes, Ernest Clark helped him. Walt home at night.

Sat 18- Mrs Snider and Anna called. Rainy, WC to Odessa.

Sunday 19- Nobody to church. Darius down Libbie came out, wet in afternoon. F. Hills away.

Monday 20<sup>th</sup>- WC & I took Dr & wife to train to Napanee. J. P. Rose brought Charlet down at night. Wilmot's birthday 7 years old.

Tuesday 21- WC & I gathered apples on hill. Mrs Snider took Charles to Wesbrook stayed to dinner came home in afternoon fine day. F. Hill's brother here visiting.

Wed 22 Oct- WC & I gathered apples. It rained in afternoon. F. Hill worked over hill in forenoon. Went out to Father in Laws at night got horse she went with him. WC and I up to Odessa at night. Rain.

Thursday 23- F. Hill's wife went to Deseronto. ( she never mentions her by name ?) WC & I gathered apples. I washed some in forenoon, Lon here. Mrs Snider out to Lons in afternoon.

Friday 24- Heavy thunder this morning and all through day. We Wilmot & I to Napanee to change some cloths got for Wilmot. F. Hills came home today. Rough



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day. Mrs Snider & I cleaned Wood House chamber.

Saturday 25- Mrs Snider sewed on coat. WC to Odessa at night got out some roots. I worked all day.

Sunday 26- WC & I did not go to church. Wilmot and his G. Ma went to Violet in afternoon. Fred & Lib came out for tea stayed all night very windy.

Monday 27- Lovely warm day. F & L went home this morning. Mrs Snider sewed on her coat after dinner she took grist down to Cap Babcocks Mill. Walt worked at roots so did F. Hill. WC down to Joe Lucases this forenoon.

Friday 31-Mrs Snider & Wilmot went down to Mr Powleys. I took my bedroom carpet up. Fine day. WC & I to Odessa. Darius and wife moved to Uncle Wills.

Sat Nov 1- Fine. WC & Earnest Clark put in roots. E. went home at noon L. Hartman helped in afternoon. I sick all day but worked.

Sunday 2- WC & I up to church Mrs Snider came home at night. Fine. F. Hill & wife to Deseronto.

Monday 3- I helped WC out doors picking up potatoes, looks like rain.

Tuesday 4- Mrs Snider went down to Freds. I worked all day.

Wed 5- WC went to see about buying some horses. I washed churned and did all chores out doors. Mrs Snider came home from Millhaven.

Thursday 6 Rainey. WC & I out to Lons for tea. Wilmot at school. F. Hill did our milking.

Friday 7- Fine. I churned. Went up to Aunt Lydias helped put down carpet, came home did chores.

Sat 8 Nov- WC & I started this morning after black colt back in Newburgh bought him at Mr Yomans got home at night.

Sunday 9- had drive behind colt Went to Violet to QM in afternoon. F & Lib came for tea.

Monday 10- Fine. WC away all day. Mrs Snider Lib & Fred went down to C. Roses.

Tuesday 11 - Lib & Fred went home this morning( Yarker) WC ploughed some , F. Hill ploughing. Amos Snider died last night at twelve o'clock, heart trouble. I up this afternoon with Mrs Snider to Wilton.

Wed 12- Fine. F. Hill ploughing I washed Mrs Snider up to Amos Sniders.

Thursday 13 - Very cold, rainey. We all went to Amos Snider's funeral it was large. Mrs Snider went with Mrs W. Frink. I trimmed my winter hat after I came home. F. Hill & wife went out to help his father kill hogs.

Friday 14- I worked all day. Samson Perry ploughed WC fixed hog pen and went to Odessa at night.

Sat 15- I worked hard all day not feeling very well. Samson ploughed F. Hill ploughed WC & Wilmot at Wilton putting in foundation for stone in cemetery. Mrs Snider at C. Roses all day Charley Rose and WC at Odessa.

Sunday 16- Misty. Mrs at Wilton to church. WC Wilmot & I to see Stanley Rose. Mr Hill's had company.

Monday 17- Rainey. George Frink ploughing F. Hill drew load of wood and roots. I churned and ironed.

Tuesday 18- Misty warm. George Frink ploughing. Walt has rumetism. I not feeling well. F. Hill ploughing.

Wed 19- Fine. F & Lib came out WC to Mill, Mabel called F. Hill plowing, George Frink ploughing for WC.

Thursday 20- Mrs Snider down to Fred on special business I cut shirt for myself George Frink came in afternoon, foggy till after dinner.

Friday 21- F. Hill to Odessa with chickens. Heard this morning Mrs Jennie Johnston dead died yesterday at Miles Parrots. George F. ploughed.

Sat 22- Rainey, we did not go to Mrs Johnston's funeral. I took Mrs Snider to Odessa after dinner wind blew and it is very muddy. Cold at night.

Sunday 23- Froze last night. WC & I to Aunt Lydias for tea did not go to church, down to see Stanley Rose, he seems better.

Monday 24- Got up very early. I had sick headache all night I washed bedding and other washing. Scrubbed wood house cleaned cellarway. I ironed. WC to Wilton F. Hill with him. Fred finished ploughing in forenoon George Frink here in afternoon.

Tuesday 25- Cold. WC & F. Hill up to Wilton working at foundation for Monument I up to Mr Days in afternoon. WC to Odessa at night for his mother. George F. here.

Wed 26 Froze up Stormy got all young cattle in.

Thursday 27- Samson Montgomery sold colt to WC for \$27 WC & Fred killed to pigs in afternoon Mrs Snider down to Charley Roses all day.

Friday 28- WC sick fine & cold. I had all work to do out doors. WC cut pigs up at night.

Saturday 29- Windy We did usual work. Mrs Snider & Wilmot up to JP Roses all day Salome came home with them at night.

Sunday 30 Windy. I sick all day J.P. Rose & wife down for dinner no to church.

Monday Dec 1 Lovely day WC & I up to Mrs Amos Sniders got barrel of apples in after noon down to C. Babcocks to Mill. WC not well.

Tuesday 2- Did not do much. Men killed pigs Anson Montgomery helped. Mrs Snider to Odessa in after noon took Grandma down to Aunt Emmas We all went to lecture at night( Mr Day)

Wed 3 - 1902- Stormy. Mrs Snider down to C. Roses I took Wilmot to school Lon & Wick was here for dinner Stormy. WC cut up pig J. P. Rose down at night.

Thursday 4 Dec- Election Day. Fine. WC to Odessa in forenoon up to Violet on temperance question in afternoon F. Hill went up and voted for proabishion very cold at night.

Friday 5- Very cold Mrs Snider up to see Mrs Lewas Clark. I worked all day in doors and out.

Saturday 6 Dec- I worked all day Mabel over in forenoon Mrs Snider & Wilmot over to L. Hartmans for tea. F. Hill drew manure in afternoon WC getting things banked up.

Sunday 7 Dec 1902- Stormy in morning. Did not go to church. WC & I down to C. Roses in evening. Our first sleigh ride.

Monday 8- Cold very- WC down to Joe Lucases for dinner. Traded rusters &

hogs.

Tues 9 1902- Very cold. Killed chickens and hens. WC down to C. Roses to see Anson about hiring- did not get him Mrs Snider down to J. Milligans. We took poultry down to Derbyshires at night and got 8 cents for ducks and 7 cents for fowl.

Wed 10 Dec- Blustery cold. Made sausage, churned. Cows giving good lot of milk. Cold.

Thursday 11- Very cold. I washed WC over to Lon Catons for sheep.

Friday 12- Very cold, WC to Odessa. I churned.

Sat 13- Stormy cold very. Mrs Snider & Wilmot down to C. Roses.

Sunday 14 Fine. WC not very well. We none went to church. Stanley Rose & Emma drove down for a short time.

Monday 15- Mrs Snider down to C. Roses they to Kingston. WC to Odessa in afternoon to council to Odessa again at night. I churned.

Tuesday 16- Rainey, WC & I to Napanee after dinner Mrs Snider came home towards night.

Wednesday 17- Fine. I did not do much Mrs Snider made Wilmot pants. WC to Odessa again.

Thursday 18- Fine- We worked at cow stables I up to Mrs Amos Sniders.

Friday 19, Dec 1902- Fine warm. WC & I to Odessa. F. Hill sick in bed. WC over to W. Forsyths. Aunt Lydia and D. J. Smith here. Uncle Will in bed again.

Saturday 20 Dec 1902- Worked all day. F. Hill sick. We went to village at night Mrs Snider to Odessa after dinner.

Sunday 21- Stormy rain and sleet Up to see Uncle Will he is in bed. WC down to see Stanley Rose.

Monday 22- WC down to nomination. Mrs Snider went out to get subscribers



for Good Stories.( Was this a magazine??) Windey.

Tuesday 23- Mrs Snider out again. I washed. She got 20 . I sent Xmas presents to Dr family.

24 Wed- Cold. WC to Odessa I had lots to do WC went over to the late Amos Sniders place. F. Hill better.. WC & I up to Mrs Anson Sniders to look house over- stormey.

25- Thursday- Xmas Day. We all alone Went to Xmas tea at Odessa in evening. Heard Orten Fraser died this morning.

Thursday 1 Jan, 1903- New Years Day Mrs Snider & Mrs J. started again for Lons. Met them going to Odessa. Went to B. Davises for dinner. Fine. WC & I to Odessa. I down to Mrs Mc Calls.

Friday 2, Jan- Mrs Snider took Lavinia home to Uncle Wills for dinner. Grandma came home with her.

Sat 3 Jan 1903- Rainey. Grandma here. WC to Odessa at night.

Sunday 4 Jan- Grandma went home WC & I to Darius for tea and down to see Dr.

Monday 5 Jan 1903- I washed, Election Day I churned an Irish man ?? Called. I went up to Wilton at night. WC was Returning Officer. Clide & Gallagher ran for Reeve. Clide got in.

Tuesday 6 Jan- I ironed in morning. WC to Odessa.

Jan 15- WC & I to Odessa WC hunting for a man. We were at Mr Mitchels for tea. If any one ever reads Mrs F. Snider's diary they will wonder why she made herself This day.

Jan 16 WC moved our stove in kitchen today. I have bad cold.

Jan 18- Sunday very cold and I felt bad with cold home all day

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This is the first day of Feb and I have not written for two weeks and I am all mixed up but , we have had a lot of company as follows: Mr & Mrs C. Rose, J.P. Rose, B. Snider, L. Clark, L.H. Perry, J.H. Snider, Metchler, E. O. Clark, J. Dawson, D. Lucas Mr & Mrs L. Hartman, Miss Mabel Snider, Miss Pearl Amey, Miss Lee, Mrs DC Day(sister) Mr Korah Stoness, Mr Stanley Rose, Mr & Mrs Stewart Paul, B. Caton, Fred Caton, Walton Davy.

Feb 1 Sunday- Q. Meeting at Wilton today Mrs Snider up, WC gone up to Uncle Wills.

Monday 2 Feb- Stormy. Thunder storm. Last Friday night we had a bad storm burned two buildings. WC and I up to Halley to see A. Finnigan about working this place on shares WC so poorley he can not work it. Mrs Snider to Odessa Earnest Clark came down and did chores. Wind very high.

Tuesday 3 Feb- I washed. Mrs Snider over to L. Hartmans. WC down to Westbrook to see a man. I did chores tonight. Expected A. Finnigan here to see about place but did not come.

Wed 4 Feb Don't do anything but hunt for a man.

Thursday 5 Feb Fine weather. Wesley Frink helping do chores.

Friday 6 Feb- Mrs Snider started for Napanee but did not go. WC very poorly.

Saturday 7 Feb- Mrs Snider went to Napanee with C. Roses. Lesley Boulton and Alice & Myrtle came down tonight. Fine day.

Sunday 8 Feb- Stormy. Les & Myrtle got up & went home. The roads drifted.

Monday 9- WC & I to Napanee Alice up to Uncle Wills Fine day, bad roads.

Well her it is the 11 th day of May and so much has happened sence I wrote before. We are milking 12 cows have two colts. The men got through seeding in April it is very dry weather. George Marchel is working for us at \$ 15 a month. Fred & Libbie have come from Lindsay. Libbie keeping house in Millhaven again. She is

not one bit well. Mr James Powley has had a stroke. Mrs Snider & Wilmot has been down there for a week Wilmot passed in third reader at Easter. WC and I have been down to Mr Powleys . Dr Mabee has been married. Aunt Lydia has been very sick. Lillie & Darius have moved to Uncle Wills. We have part of our house cleaning done. I washed today and WC has built an incubator. This month we have 25 little ducks and 21 chickens. Lon is In N. W. G. (T) with two cars of cattle. Alvinia Snider broke her shoulder yesterday and Mrs Snider has been up there all day I worked hard today I was up to see C Parrets wife last night she is very sick. WC up to C. B. at Wilton tonight.

May 12- Tuesday- We cleaned cellor today. Mrs D. Rose called Mrs Snider up to Alvinias she not so well today WC & I going to Odessa tonight.

May 13 Wed- Mrs Snider cleaned her bedroom and went up to Alyinias in afternoon I churned washed buggy baked bread and usual house work. WC to Odessa in afternoon.

May 14 Thursday- As rain very dry weather. Mrs Snider came home this morning I cleaned Pantry Mrs Snider finished her room Vick & Lon out in evening WC to Odessa.

May 15 Friday- Cleaned Parlor. Wilmot and WC putting up fence. Mrs Snider up to see Alvinia, George drawing manure.

May 16 Sat- Fine Amelia Smith Will & the children came & Jenni & Addia's Uncle came up at night. WC to Odessa.

May 17 Sunday No one to church Will and Amelia went up to J. P. Roses for dinner Very warm & dry Hendersons here.

May 18 Monday- Fine warm looks like showers WC to Odessa Wesley Frink worked here today.

Tuesday 19 May- Fine W. Frink here Mrs Snider & the Hendersons up to Wilton. Mr Bicknell here.

Wed 20 May- Fine very dry. Hendersons went home Mrs Snider took them to stage. I up to Uncle Wills & called at Emma Roses Men building fence yet.

Thursday 21 May- This is asencion day rained a little. WC & I to Odessa at night Men built fence We did lots of work.

Fri 22 May- Fine cooler. I baked bread. We still have 4 men working. Mrs Snider gone down to Libbies( Millhaven ?)

Sat 23 May- Dry yet and we do need rain so much but I suppose we must not complain for we get a great deal more then we deserve. The men are building fence.

Sunday 24 May- Mrs Snider came home today Daisy, Maud's( horse) colt got hurt. We did not go to church. I was at S. school.

Monday 25 May- WC Wilmot and I to Odessa to Aunt Emmas WC to Court of Revision. I have sick headache Mrs J. Johnson down after tea. F. Hill & wife called( sounds like they have moved on to their own place hence all the scramble to get a new hired man)

Tuesday 26 May- It looks like rain but it has not come yet. Mr & Mrs Rev. Day here to tea.

Wed 27 May- We cleaned kitchen and papered WC hired Stan Files & wife today for a month. Men to Wilton putting up stone.

Thursday 28 May- Busy all day. Men to Wilton fixing lot.

Friday 29, May- Mrs Snider to Millhaven got buggy wheels fixed at Joe Milligans. Heard that Mrs Armstrong died 26<sup>th</sup> she that used to be Miss E. Demerest. WC to Odessa to night, he is not well.

Sat 30, May- We worked all day No rain yet Mrs Snider up to Alvinia Sniders WC to Napanee in afternoon in morning down to C. Wisemans settling fence business.

Sunday May 31- Mrs Snider to Sunday School After dinner she went down to Violet and from there to Lons She stayed all night and she and Vick went up to Nettie Snook's she came back to Lons at night.

Monday June 1- No rain yet. Ida Files & I washed, ironed and scrubbed WC, Wilmot & I went down to Sunday Sch. entertainment at night- got letter from father.

Tuesday 2, 1902- Mrs Snider came home this morning. She & WC to Odessa, Mabel Snider called WC to Yarker.

( Thats all the entries until Jan 1, 1904. You can sense that she is losing interest in keeping a dairy no explanation is given.

Jan 1 1904- Fri- Have not written one word since last May New Years day; It is very stormy I have not been out of the house for five weeks. Had Grip Wilmot has it also but we are better. Have Frank Rogers working for us WC and Frank to Kingston in afternoon. Mrs Snider up to Dr went up before Xmas( this I believe is one of her sons?) The weather extremely cold.

Jan 2, 1904- Sat Very cold and stormy WC out.

Jan 3 Sunday 1904 Cold clear a very quiet day did not go anywhere. Jed Mabee's funeral today. He was killed out west.

Monday 4 Jan- 1904 32 below zero. WC to Earnestown Wilmot to school Frank down to Joe Lucases. WC to Odessa at night got quarter of beef.

Jan Tuesday 5, 1904- 40 below zero. Coldest ever saw. Wilmot likes the teacher. WC and Frank to Odessa took two hogs to Emmons. I did small washing Walter got me a fine washing machine for New Years Present. Warner tonight WC got quarter of beef.

Jan Wed 5- 1904- Got up early went out to Selby from there to Napanee came home feeling pretty much used up. Felt I had been out of house for five weeks.

Jan Thursday 7, 1904- Went to Odessa had tooth out. Aunt Lydia & Uncle Will called Mr & Mrs Day came for tea Alvinia Rose & Edwin over after tea WC & I were invited to Mr Pawley's for tea but could not go.

Jan Friday 8 1904- I worked all day not feeling very well. Stormy all day Wilburt at school WC & Frank at Odessa.



Jan Sat 9 1904- Fine. WC and I to Napanee got glasses for my eyes not very cold Snowed some. WC & Frank to Odessa at night.

Jan Sunday 10 1904- Went down to see Libbie she is not quite so well. Frank to Odessa at night with horse and rig. Frank to Odessa at night with horse and rig.

Jan Monday 11 1904- WC and I to Kingston took Wilmot to Dr Connel WC to Wolf Island came home tired.

Jan Tuesday 12, 1904- WC started on road today with horse. Fine. I up to Missionary Meeting to parsonage for tea Mrs L. Clark with me. Frank at Odessa with horse.

Wed 13 1904- I washed Frank helped he hitched colts after dinner Frank & Wilmot & I to Odessa at night Nasty storm. Mr Davy's son kicked badly by a horse. Flossie Bennet & Lewis Snider's son married today. I called on Mrs J. Snider.

Jan Thursday 14 1904- Very stormy Wilmot in school Frank had to take him and bring him. I worked all day. Darius called. We churned.

Jan Friday 15, 1904- Fine Wilmot at school F. took him and went for him.

Jan Saturday 16- Stormy. WC came home at noon. We went up to J. P. Roses for tea. Frank to Odessa got letter from Mrs C. Snider.

Jan Sunday 17, 1904- Home all day. Wrote to Mrs Snider Frank to Odessa at night up to Darius after noon. Walt not well.

Jan Mon 18, 1904- Very cold 35 below zero. Frank and WC to Odessa drove black colt. Maud Lewis Hartman over a few minutes Wilmot at school.

Jan Tuesday 19, 1904- Rained a little today cold again tonight. Frank & I to Odessa Wilmot at school. B. Rose and wife over tonight.

Jan Thursday 21, 1904- Working all day. Will and Armelia Smith came at evening.

Jan Friday 22, 1904- Will and Armelia stayed for dinner We all went over to J. Roses for tea. I have bad cold came back at night all stayed here. Salome was here to.

Jan Friday 29, 1904- Fine cold Frank Wilmot went to Library concert coming home found Jeff (?) Dead by Benson Sniders, received a letter from Mrs Snider tonight. Jeff 5 years old( who or what pray tell was Jeff?)

Jan 30 Sat 1904- Fine day. Frank went to Odessa Mr Montgomery called. Mabel over.

Sunday 31-1904- Stormy. F. to Odessa took Alvinia with him.

Monday 1 day of Feb- Stormy getting colder Aunt Lydia & Uncle Will down for dinner Mable Snider here for tea stayed all night. Dailey the tea man here today.( From Napanee)

Tuesday 2 day of Feb Stormy sent for mail got two letters from WC

Wed 3 of Feb- Fine- I to Odessa in afternoon Sent letter & post card to WC

Thursday 4 of Feb- Stormy Wilmot home sent on for Mable to stay all night she came.

5 Feb- Friday Clear again Frank to Odessa in afternoon Mrs L. Hartman here for dinner Mable here all night.

Sat 6 Feb 1904- Warmer. Mable came over again after dinner. J. Amey came for her at night Frank went to Odessa got Walter. He came from station with Mr Hogel. Mable came home with Frank and WC. Rainey.

Sunday 7, Feb 1904- Walter home. Mable over for tea. Windy.

Monday 8 Feb 1904- Well this is Monday night and Walter is gone It seems harder to have him go every time he comes home but I suppose I will have to stand it. Mable & I took him to Earnestown and he is not feeling well at all and I am so lonely. Fine to day ( WC)

Feb 9 Tuesday 1904- Twice I washed Norah Storms called Wilmot at school

Frank to Odessa I wrote to WC & Mrs Snider.

Wed 10 1904- Fine again. Made Wilmot pants got letter from WC one from Mrs S. one from Libbie one from my father one from Fence Company Mable was here all night cold Frank to Odessa.

Feb 11, 1904- Fine again. Worked till noon Mag Johnston down all afternoon School teacher here all night so was Mable. Frank at Odessa.

Feb 12, 1904 Friday- Fine, teacher and Mable went in morning. I got ready and went out to Lons. Hellen there, roads fine. Frank at Odessa got grist and ax handle.

Sat 13 Feb 1904- Fine, warmer Mr Sharp brought Mrs J. Snider out spent day. Frank took her home after tea mable came for tea. Lon, Vick and A. Close came to spend evening got letter from WC John Amy and Mable have broken their engagement.

Sunday Feb 14, 1904- Very stormy Alvena over this morning We all went over to L. Hartmans after tea very stormy.

Monday Feb 15, 1904- Clear but windy Wilmot not at school I worked all day Roads all blocked.

Tuesday Feb 16, 1904- Clear but blowing Wilmot at school. Frank & I to Odessa got short letter from WC called on Dr Mabee's wife who has grip.

Wed Feb 17, 1904- Did work in forenoon Annie Johnston called Alvinia called I to Odessa after dinner. Alvinia Mrs Hicks, Edwin & B. Rose over to tea & Mable. We had oysters. Alvena over after tea Mrs Hicks stayed all night.

Thursday 18 Feb- Mrs Hicks went home today. Anna Johnston down to tea. Mable over to stay all night Frank to Odessa got letter from WC and his mother.

Friday 19 Feb 1904- Fine warmer. Mable over to stay all night. Jack( her dog) died last night found him dead in his bed. Frank at Odessa got letter from Nellie Jones.

Sat 20 Feb 1904- Beautiful Day. I drove down to Freds found Libbie pretty poorly, stoped at Odessa comming back got letter from Walter. Two little lambs came today.

Sunday 21, 1904- Fine in morning rainy at night.Home all day Rose, Joe, Aunt Lydia Mrs English Addie down in after noon. Dwight Frink over one of the sheep died.

Monday 22 Feb 1904- Windy colder. I washed Frank to Odessa I wrote to Mrs Snider & Walter. Mable over to stay all night.

Tuesday 23, 1904 Feb- Warm. I worked all day got letter from WC. Frank to Odessa Ernest Clark with him.

Wed 24, Feb, 1904- Fine. Windy at night Mable over to stay all night. Frank at Odessa got two letters from Walter.

Thursday 25 Feb, 1904- Fine cold. Made sack for Libbie Mable over all night. Ernest Clark called.

Friday 26 Feb, 1904- Did usual work, Mable over. Frank to Odessa got Telegram WC coming on midnight train tomorrow night Mrs Robert Storms died this morning.

Sat 27, 1904- Did usual work. Mrs J. Snider came out with L. Hartman fine today. Mable over. A. Close here to spend evening Frank and I to Napanee to meet 3:30 train. Sunday morning WC came.

Sunday 28, 1904- Raining Frank took Mrs J. Snider home Mable stayed for dinner.

Monday 29, 1904- WC & I went down to Kingston then out to J. Powleys got stormed in did not get back till Wed night. Brought Nellie Jones home with us. We had dinner at Harry Rodways.

Thursday 3, March 1904- Windy all day. Went to C. Rose for tea. Fred down before we went told us he had bought J. P. Roses place again and is moving.

Friday 4 March Fine. Worked all day, had company at night had Dr Mabee

and wife, L. Hartman wife and Mable, C. Rose and wife, Erwal Miller and wife had nice time.

Sat 5 March- Worked all day. Mrs Johnston & Mrs Clark called Mable Wilmot skating.

Sunday 6 March- Fine. Warm rained at night. Millie ( Nellie) went with Mable & John Amey to church.

Monday 7 March- rained all day did not do much WC to Odessa.

Tuesday 8 March- Fine but bad roads. WC to Odessa.

Wed 9 March- Fine WC to Odessa in afternoon. Millie, WC & I to Dr Mabees for tea.

Thursday, 10 march- Frank took WC to Stasion he went west of Toronto. Millie & I down to Sid Denyes for dinner. Stanley Rose and Mable Snider here for tea. Fine.

Friday 11 March Millie went home. I worked all day. Frank to Odessa

Sat 12, March 1904- I did usual Sat work Fred came down stayed all night. Fine clear.

Sunday 13, march- Fine, warm. Frank & Wilmot up to Freds. I home all day. Mable here all night last night.

Monday 14 March- I did large ironing went to Odessa in afternoon took Aunt Lydia( fine)

Tuesday 15, March- Emma Rose and I up and helped Fred clean house( fine) Frank to Odessa.

Wed 16, March- Fine. I washed Fred down to dinner Frank & I to Odessa got letter from WC Frank went again at night( fine)

March 17, 1904- Thursday- Fine. Went up to Freds then to Aunt Lydias all day. Emma Rose there Grandma not well. Frank and Wilmot came up for tea.

March 18, 1904- Fine Frank to Odessa. Mable, Frank, Wilmot & I went up to Freds. Libbie came today Miss Finegan came with them.

Sat 19 March 1904- Fine in morning windy & rain at night. Frank to Odessa Mable over all night.

Sunday 20 March- Fine, Frank went to Mr J. Powleys. Wilmot not very well Fred, Libbie, Miss Finnegan down. Fred did chores at night.

Monday 21 March- Fine, Frank came home from Mr Powleys. Amelia not well, fair. Earnest Clark down cleaned our stables. Mable over to stay all night.

Tuesday 22, March- Rainy. W to school Frank down to John Lucases.

Wednesday 23 march- Fine. I up to Freds helped paper. Over to L. Hartmans to tea. Frank to Odessa.

Thursday 4, March- Mrs Jentle came today we went up to Freds helped paper. Mrs J. Snider came home with her, roads bad

Friday 25, 1904- March- We sewed today. Mrs J. Snider here. Betsy my cow Uncle Will gave me had her first calf today.

Friday 25 march 1904- Fine. Mrs Jentle here. Mrs J. Snider here. Mable over in afternoon, rained at night roads very bad Mable to Odessa with John Amey.

Sat 26, March- Fine. Miss Gentle here yet I sewed all day. Frank to Odessa got mail from WC wanting me to go up to Dr's. Mrs J. here yet.

Sunday 27, March Mrs J. went home this morning. Miss Jentle here. Wilmot & I up to Freds. Libbie poorly.

Monday 28 March- Fine. Bell here yet. Mable over Alvena over. Mrs Johnston down, Mable and all the rest of us out to Lons for sugar.

( Thus ends the diary of Katherine Snider ( Hartman). Katherine and WC will continue to live on this same farm until her death in 1954( WC dies in 1950) Their adopted daughter Laura (Campbell) continues to live on this place as I transcribe this work( 2003). Aged 88 herself she will probably be the last of the several generations of Sniders to live in this location. Mrs Campbell searched high and low for me to try to see if any of her Fathers papers had survived but unfortunately to no avail. It is highly probable that they were burned sometime after his death a tragic loss given his years of involvement in local government as a township clerk, printer, JP etc.